

17th September, 1955

Dear Josh,

Many thanks for your letter. Yes we made it quite safely with little or no fuss with immigration officials. We are now busy settling down to the different way of life and hope shortly to be moving into our own house.

I have been back at work now for some few weeks picking up the loose threads of the P.H.L.S. routine and of Enteric phagology. Andy is taking a holiday at present but I was able to give him your wishes before he departed.

To answer your questions :-

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1. W 2721 (my M 94) is a strain which I tried to F-duction several times. Each time I achieved apparent success but later the culture had reverted to F- , I expect it is so now. I did find, however, that it appeared to behave as an F+ longer if tested with W1607 (M-) than when tested with W1177. That is all there was to it, I did not ~~investigate~~ investigate any further but thought I had put it in the report.

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2. Helen says that/stabs of Weeds' cultures are, or should be, in the rack labelled 'Miscellaneous'. That is where they were placed and unless they have since been removed by anyone else they should still be there. She also thinks that some of them were put into lyophil. In any case there are many other B cultures around the lab. in stab and lyophil. She does not have your sheet 1669 and does not have any information on the question of B or B/r.

I trust that all is well with Esther and yourself and that the lab is functioning satisfactorily. Has anything come of the proposed renovations?

Please give my best wishes to the lab members and also to Jim Crow.

Best regards to Esther and yourself,

Yours,

*Alec*